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Correspondence Concerning Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Self Study

University of Texas at Tyler



TEXAS EASTERN UNIVERSITY

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 22, 1977

MEMORANDUM

To: Texas Eastern University Faculty and Professional Staff
 From: James H. Stewart, Jr. *[Signature]*
 Subject: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Self-Study

Official recognition and approval by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools was granted to Texas Eastern University in the fall of 1972 prior to the time when students were first enrolled. Candidate for accreditation status was earned by the institution in December 1973 while initial accreditation was granted in December 1974. Each of these accreditation steps was predicated on evaluation procedures specified by the College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Moreover, accreditation is a continuing process and our regional accrediting association provides that Texas Eastern reaffirmation for accreditation will be considered by the College Delegate Assembly in December 1979, five years following the 1974 action. Thereafter, reaffirmation occurs each ten years.

Reaffirmation of accreditation is an important institutional effort and involves an intensive self-study and a visit from and evaluation by a Southern Association committee which will be comprised of individuals selected from Southern Association member institutions outside the State of Texas. A self-study should be extremely beneficial at this time even if it were not required. Texas Eastern University has experienced rapid growth in student enrollment and employed personnel as well as in physical facilities since 1974. Therefore, a current self-study should be very useful in evaluating the past, assessing the present and giving direction for the future.

Last spring, members of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Self-Study Steering Committee were selected. Dr. Frank H. Smyrl serves as chairman and is joined by Dr. Tommy D. Gilbreath, Dr. Vivian A. Hicks, Dr. H. Milton Jones, Dr. David C. Riddle and Dr. William B. Stephens. Dr. Gerald L. Morris serves as director for the self-study and provides administrative and clerical support through his

office. This committee has approved a calendar for the self-study (see Attachment 1), organized the committee structure of the study, selected chairpersons for the various committees and the memberships for these committees.

Each of the eleven (11) committees is charged with studying Texas Eastern University for compliance with a particular standard established by the College Delegate Assembly of Southern Association. These standards and chairpersons are:

I. Purpose	Dr. Stephen R. Lefevre
II. Organization and Administration	Mr. J. Archie Whitfield
III. Educational Program	Dr. Gary L. Wright
IV. Financial Resources	Dr. John L. Fletcher
V. Faculty	Dr. Barry Green
VI. Library	Dr. J. Paxton Hart
VII. Student Development Services	Dr. Robert G. Teeter
VIII. Physical Plant	Dr. W. Clayton Allen
IX. Special Activities	Dr. Vincent J. Falzone
X. Graduate Program	Dr. Joyce Ballard
XI. Research	Dr. C. Ray Gullett.

The chairpersons worked with the Steering Committee to obtain the list of committee memberships (see Attachment 2). Committees were selected, as much as possible, to allow representation by the various segments of the university on each committee. As you will perhaps notice, all members of the faculty and professional staff are involved in the institutional self-study.

Through this memorandum, I respectfully request that you accept appointment to self-study committee membership as Attachment 2 indicates. As I am certain each of you is aware, reaffirmation of accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools is very significant to Texas Eastern University. The self-study in which we are engaged is a vital step toward this reaffirmation. I trust that each of you appointed to institutional service through this communication will accept the appointment and, thereby, serve the best interests of Texas Eastern University.

JHS:bm
Attachments

TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF THE SELF-STUDY

- I. Organization
 - A. Appoint steering committee chairman and director along with full committee membership Jan. - Mar. 1977
 - B. Appoint remaining committees Feb. - Apr. 1977
- II. Committee Work
 - A. Activity by committees Aug. 1977 - May 1978
 - B. Steering committee review May - Nov. 1978
- III. Finalization of Self-Study
 - A. Steering committee approve final copy Nov. 1978 - Jan. 1979
 - B. Print self-study Dec. 1978 - Feb. 1979
- IV. Visitation Committee
 - A. Chairman visit campus Feb. or Mar. 1979
 - B. Committee visit Mar. or Apr. 1979
- V. College Delegate Assembly Action
 - Official action by the College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Dec. 1979

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION SELF-STUDY COMMITTEES
Revised September 1, 1977

Steering Committee

Frank H. Smyrl, Chairperson
Tommy D. Gilbreath
Vivian A. Hicks
H. Milton Jones
David C. Riddle
William B. Stephens
Gerald L. Morris, Director

Standard One: Purpose

Stephen R. Lefevre, Chairperson
Roger K. Anderson
Julianne B. Hubble
W. Peyton Jones
Don L. McClaugherty
Christina W. Mitchell
James H. Stewart, Jr., Resource Person
Frank H. Smyrl, Liaison

Standard Two: Organization and Administration

J. Archie Whitfield, Chairperson
Kenneth R. Casstevens
Theodore Lehmann
O. Robert Marsh
Mac R. Moseley
Steve A. Wilson
Marilyn Young
James H. Stewart, Jr., Resource Person
William B. Stephens, Liaison

Standard Three: Educational Program

Gary L. Wright, Chairperson
Robert L. Cox
Robert H. Cranford
Patricia A. Gajda
George Joyce
W. Allen Martin
R. Kenneth Muckelroy
Ronald W. Robinson
Martha D. Wheat
Mary Lois Whiteman
Donald W. Whisenhunt, Resource Person
David C. Riddle, Liaison

Standard Four: Financial Resources

John L. Fletcher, Chairperson
Donald L. Blevins
A. Wayne Criswell
Donald W. Goodson
Colleen K. Randel
Marian L. Rowe
James E. Shaw
(Media Center Vacancy)
John R. Sawyer, Resource Person
H. Milton Jones, Liaison

Standard Five: Faculty

Barry Green, Chairperson
Dennis L. Breeden
O. D. Daniel
F. Gary Mears
Joyce F. Morrison
Barbara S. Sears
F. Lannom Smith
Glenn Bill Williams
N. Wayne Williams
Donald W. Whisenhunt, Resource Person
Vivian A. Hicks, Liaison

Standard Six: Library

J. Paxton Hart, Chairperson
Rita S. Bryant
Janice D. Glascock
B. Ann Smith Hough
Merry J. McBryde
Robert F. McClure
James R. Stewart
Andrew S. Szarka
C. Olene Harned, Resource Person
Tommy D. Gilbreath, Liaison

Standard Seven: Student Development Services

Robert G. Teeter, Chairperson
Stephen E. Daniels
Robert W. Jones
Gary G. Pike
Marketta Tefteller
Michael I. Victor
O. George Weisheit
Tom G. Turns, Resource Person
Tommy D. Gilbreath, Liaison

Standard Eight: Physical Plant

W. Clayton Allen, Chairperson
F. Vincent Brach
John M. Callahan
Judy B. Freeman
Wayne H. Goff
C. Olene Harned
E. Keith Kennedy
Keith W. McCoy
(University Police Vacancy)
L. J. Grubbs, Resource Person
David C. Riddle, Liaison

Standard Nine: Special Activities

Vincent J. Falzone, Chairperson
Chadwick J. Edwards
Sharon D. Horn
Joanna Martin
W. A. Mayfield
Stephen E. Rada
Donald W. Whisenhunt, Resource Person
William B. Stephens, Liaison

Standard Ten: Graduate Program

Joyce Ballard, Chairperson
Terry L. Busson
Wendell C. Hewett
Linda G. Keeling
L. Lynn Sherrod
Evelyn Sowell
Steven C. Stamps
S. Anne Williams
Donald W. Whisenhunt, Resource Person
Vivian A. Hicks, Liaison

Standard Eleven: Research

C. Ray Gullett, Chairperson
Betty N. Anderson
Vicki Sue Betts
Don W. Killebrew
Henry Orloff
John H. Spurgin
Tom G. Turns
Donald W. Whisenhunt, Resource Person
H. Milton Jones, Liaison

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September 13, 1977

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OFFICE OF INSTITUTIONAL
PLANNING AND ANALYSIS

MEMORANDUM

TO: Faculty and Professional Staff
Texas Eastern University

FROM: Gerald L. Morris, Director
Institutional Self-Study *GL Morris*

SUBJECT: Visit by SACS Staff

On Friday, September 16, Dr. Grover Andrews, Associate Executive Secretary, Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, will make an official visit to Texas Eastern University. Dr. Andrews will meet individually with the various committees of the Self-Study. Each meeting will be in ADM 301, the Board Room.

Agenda for September 16, 1977
ADM 301, Board Room

8:30 - 8:55 A.M.	Steering Committee
9:00 - 9:25 A.M.	Standard VI Committee
9:30 - 9:55 A.M.	Standard VIII Committee
10:00 - 10:55 A.M.	Standards III, X, and XI Committees
11:00 - 11:25 A.M.	Standard II Committee
11:30 - 11:55 A.M.	Standard IX Committee
1:30 - 1:55 P.M.	Standard I Committee
2:00 - 2:25 P.M.	Standard IV Committee
2:30 - 2:55 P.M.	Standard V Committee
3:00 - 3:25 P.M.	Standard VII Committee
3:30 - 4:30 P.M.	Steering Committee and Chairpersons

You are urged to attend the sessions involving the committee to which you have been assigned. The 3:30 P.M. session designated for Steering Committee and Chairpersons is also open to all members of the faculty and professional staff.

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